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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Alton N. Pryor

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1-4, 6, 8 and 10-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 5, 7 and 9 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- 1) ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2) ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - 3) ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 9/27/04.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-4,6,8,10-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Eicken et al (6420605; 7/16/02) and Wachendorff et al (AU 20010121641; 6/25/01) or Schelberger et al (WO 9948365;9/30/99) or Hatcher (US2003019640; 1/30/03) or Stenzel (US 6509343; 1/21/03). Eicken teaches a fungicidal formulation comprising a carrier and the instant compound of formula I. See Table I compound L20. Eicken teaches a method of applying compound L20 onto fungi. See claims 1-7. Eicken does not teach the composition comprising instant compound of formula X, formula VI, dimoxystrobin, picoxystrobin, trifloxystrobin or instant compound of formula V. However, Wachendorff teaches a fungicidal composition comprising instant compound of formula X. See abstract, claims. Schelberger teaches a fungicidal composition comprising instant compound of formula VI. See abstract, claims. Hatcher teaches a fungicidal composition comprising dimoxystrobin, picoxystrobin or trifloxystrobin. See abstract, claims. Stenzel teaches a fungicidal composition comprising instant compound of formula V. See abstract, claims. It would have been obvious to having ordinary skill in the art to modify the composition / method taught by Eicken to include the instant compound of formula X, formula VI, dimoxystrobin, picoxystrobin, trifloxystrobin or

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instant compound of formula V. One would have been motivated to do this since all individual prior art inventions have the same utility, i.e. to control fungal growth. With the respect to the instant amounts of ingredients, it would have been obvious to determine the optimum amounts. One would have been motivated to do this in order to develop a composition / method that would have been most effective in controlling fungi growth.

Claim Objection

Claims 5,7,9 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant provides unexpected results for compositions comprising the compound of formula 1 plus pyraclostrobin, kresoxim-methyl, or azoxystrobin.

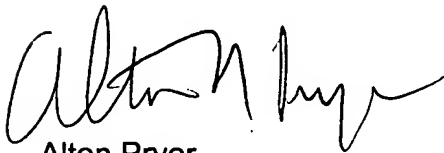
Telephonic Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alton N. Pryor whose telephone number is 571-272-0621. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz can be reached on 571-272-0887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alton Pryor', is positioned above the printed name.

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